

First Generation

1. **Jacob Beck**¹⁻² was born before 2 Jun 1818 in Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia.²⁻⁴ He was baptized on 2 Jun 1818 in Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia.⁴ He immigrated on 9 Jun 1855 to New Orleans from Le Havre aboard the Guttenberg.^{2,5} Jacob was naturalized on 5 Nov 1860 in Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa.⁶ He lived in 1600 Mt Pleasant Street, Burlington, Iowa on 1 Jun 1880.¹ He was buried in 1898 in Aspen Grove Cemetery, Burlington, Iowa.⁷ Jacob died on 5 Jan 1898 at the age of 79 in Burlington, Iowa.^{2,7-8} He was a Carpenter.¹⁻² Link to parents: Baptism record names parents Vincentius Bek and Margaritha Ruff.

Jacob Beck and Agnes Mesmer were married on 23 Apr 1844 in Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia.^{3,9} **Agnes Mesmer**²⁻³, daughter of Jacobus Mesmer and Antonia Bek, was born before 11 Feb 1822 in Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia.²⁻⁴ She was baptized on 11 Feb 1822 in Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia.⁴ She immigrated in 1855 to New Orleans from Le Havre aboard the Guttenberg.⁵ Agnes was buried in 1873 in Aspen Grove Cemetery, Burlington, Iowa.⁷ She died on 6 Dec 1873 at the age of 51 in Burlington, Iowa.^{2,7} Link to parents: Baptism record names parents Jacobus Mesmer and Antonia Bek.

Jacob Beck and Agnes Mesmer had the following children:

- 2 i. **Henry Beck**² was born before 4 Jun 1845 in Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia.^{2,4,10} He was baptized on 4 Jun 1845 in Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia.⁴ He immigrated in 1855 to New Orleans from Le Havre aboard the Guttenberg.⁵ Henry lived in Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa in 1860.¹⁰⁻¹¹ He served in the military Corporal, 25th Regiment Iowa Infantry, Company D on 31 Jul 1862.¹¹ He died Killed In Action on 28 May 1863 at the age of 17 in Battle of Vicksburg, Mississippi.^{2,11} Link to parents: Baptism record names parents Jakobus Bek and Agnes Moesmer.
- +3 ii. **Lena Maria Magdalena Beck**, born bef 24 Apr 1848, Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia; died 10 Jan 1910.
- +4 iii. **Rosa Beck**, born bef 13 Nov 1850, Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia; married Nicholas Sickinger, 1879; died 1926, Topeka, Kansas.
- +5 iv. **Eugenia Anna Beck**, born bef 7 Jul 1854, Grosseffingen, Hohenzollern, Prussia; married Albert Albertsen, 9 Nov 1875, Des Moines County, Iowa; died 14 Dec 1902, Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa.
- 6 v. **Maria Barbara Beck** was born on 8 Nov 1857 in Burlington, Des Moines, Iowa.¹² She was baptized on 15 Jan 1858 in St John the Baptist Church, Burlington, Iowa.¹² She died after 1898 at the age of 41.² Link to parents: Baptism record names parents Jacobi Beck and Agnes Messmer.¹³ Godfather is Leopold Messmer. Godmother is Maria Barbara ?.
- +7 vi. **Elizabeth Beck**, born 30 Aug 1859, Burlington, Des Moines, Iowa; married John Kraul, 1886; died 14 Sep 1921, Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa.
- +8 vii. **Maria Teresia Mollie Beck**, born 20 Oct 1862, Burlington, Des Moines, Iowa; died 1945.
- +9 viii. **Henry A Beck**, born 3 Apr 1865, Burlington, Des Moines, Iowa; married Lena Stoll, 12 Jun 1888, Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa; died 23 Mar 1925, Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa.

1. 1880 United States Census.
2. Augustine M Antrobus, History of Des Moines County and Its People Vol II page 178 (Name: S. J. Clarke Publishing Company, Chicago, 1915;).
3. Iowa State Census Collection, 1836-1925.
4. Deutschland Geburten und Taufen, 1558-1898 on Familysearch.
5. New Orleans, Passenger Lists, 1813-1963 on Ancestry.
6. U.S. Naturalization Record Indexes, 1791-1992.
7. Find A Grave.
8. Iowa, Deaths and Burials, 1850-1990.
9. Deutschland Heiraten, 1558-1929 on FamilySearch.
10. 1860 United States Census.
11. American Civil War Soldiers (Name: Ancestry.com;).
12. Baptism record from St John the Baptist, Burlington, Iowa on FamilySearch.
13. Iowa, Wills and Probate Records, 1758-1997 on Ancestry.